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Council of Mayors Executive Committee

Minutes of the May 21, 2013 Meeting

CMAP Offices - Cook County Conference Room

Executive Committee and Elected Officials Present

Mayor Jeffery Schielke, Chairman; President Dave Brady; Mayor Karen Darch; President James Discipio; President Mike Einhorn; President Thomas Karaba; Former President Larry Keller; President Al Larson (via phone); Mayor John Mahoney; Mayor Leon Rockingham; President Ed Ritter; President William T. Rodeghier; Mayor Jeffrey Sherwin; Mayor George Van Dusen.

Others Present

Jennifer Becker, Kevin Burke, Bruce Christensen, Chalen Daigle, John Donovan, Nancy Firfer, Patrick Higgins, Tam Kutzmark, Joe Napoliano, Ed Paesel, Chad Riddle, Dave Seglin, Vicky Smith, Deb Spencer, Chris Staron, Mike Sullivan, Thomas Vander Woude, Mike Walczak, Tammy Wierciak

CMAP Staff Present

Alex Beata, Patricia Berry, Teri Dixon, Doug Ferguson, Don Kopec, Matt Maloney, Holly Ostdick, Ross Patronsky, Joy Schaad, Gordon Smith

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairman Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Introductions were made.

2. Agenda Changes and Announcements

Chairman Schielke welcomed three new members to the Council of Mayors Executive Committee: Thomas Karaba of Clarendon Hills, Karen Darch of Barrington and Ed Ritter of Carpentersville. He also announced a new agenda item as number 4.4 regarding the City/Suburban distribution split of STP-L funding.

3. Approval of Minutes – January 29, 2013

On a motion by Mayor Sherwin and a second by President Rodeghier, the January 29, 2013 minutes were approved as presented.

4. Transportation Programming Updates/Action Items 4.1 Roads Update/ STP Expenditure Report

Mr. Riddle of IDOT's Bureau of Local Roads & Streets provided an update on the March and April lettings which included 28 STP-L projects, as well as his current estimate of 22 STP-L projects anticipated to be on the June and August lettings.

Ms. Ostdick of CMAP drew the Committee's attention to the latest STP-L expenditure report which is in a new format. She highlighted the fact that 35 FFY 2013 STP-L projects had been obligated by March 20, 2013, amounting to \$68.4 million of STP-L dollars. This is 37 percent of the region's mark. She also reported that for FFY 2012 the region obligated \$14 million more than the annual allotment which helped spend down the unobligated balance. Chairman Schielke emphasized how important keeping that balance low is to reflect the tremendous needs in the region and because of the fact that the funds are subject to rescission if not spent in a timely manner.

4.2 Advanced Funding

Ms. Wierciak and Ms. Kutzmark of the Central and DuPage Councils explained their councils' requests for advanced STP funding in the amounts of \$285,000 and \$2,135,000 federal, respectively. On a motion by Mayor Sherwin and a second by President Rodeghier, the advanced funding requests were approved.

4.3 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program Obligation Report

Mr. Ferguson of CMAP provided updates on the FFY 2013 CMAQ program and the development of the FFY 2014 – 2018 CMAQ program. He directed the Committee's attention to the April CMAQ obligation report and noted that \$96 million was obligated by May 6. He said that the outlook was good for meeting the region's FFY 13 obligation goal of \$123 million by September 30th. President Einhorn asked if only governments were eligible for CMAQ funding and Mr. Ferguson explained that non-profit organizations and private entities can apply if they have a local government partner to sponsor the project. President Einhorn said that he believed local governments and the region could benefit from projects that reduce particulate emissions by private railroads cutting idling times while stopped in the urban area.

4.4 City/Suburban STP distribution under Map 21

Ms. Berry of CMAP reported that in 2008 the Council of Mayors and city of Chicago entered into an agreement defining the distribution of locally programmed STP-L funds between Chicago and the suburban Council of Mayors. Copies were supplied to the members. That agreement calls for the distribution to be reviewed when new federal transportation authorization legislation is enacted. She reported that the MAP-21 legislation was enacted last year but did not change the amount of STP funding or the eligibility criteria for projects and that CMAP's MAP-21 subcommittee met in February and undertook a brief review of the distribution. The MAP-21 Subcommittee recommended that given the lack of changes to local STP in MAP-21 and the Act's short time frame (only through fiscal year 2014), a new agreement is not necessary. She suggested that with the Committee's concurrence, Chairman Schielke would take this recommendation to the next meeting of the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee.

She explained that the first 5% of funding goes to a regional project selected by the city of Chicago and that the remaining funds are distributed at 55% to the suburbs and 45% to the city of Chicago. Mayor Schielke recounted the negotiations for that agreement and the broad minded perspective of the city of Chicago representatives to reach the compromise. On a motion by Mayor Sherwin and a second by President Discipio, the continuation of that agreement was recommended.

5. Capital Program Principles

Mr. Maloney of CMAP presented the principles for a State capital program which were approved by the CMAP Board on May 8. He said that in recent months, transportation and business leaders across Illinois have begun a conversation about a potential new capital program. Given the lack of stable funding, the continuation of the arbitrary "55/45 split" that directs only 45 percent of State highway funds to IDOT District 1 region – which contains most of the CMAP region, and the lack of transparent project selection, CMAP's position is that any new State capital program must be coupled with reform. He explained performance based funding whereby projects would be funded on the basis of the merit of the projects. This would eliminate the arbitrary downstate vs. District 1 funding distribution.

He also discussed the Transportation for Illinois Coalition (TFIC) proposal to eliminate the state motor fuel tax (MFT) and remove motor fuel from the 6.25-percent state sales tax base, which would then be replaced with an 18-percent wholesale tax on motor fuel. He said that while many agree that motor fuel tax as it is currently structured, is likely to decrease over time, there are a lot of issues to work out before a suitable replacement can be devised.

6. Nomination of Vice Chair

Chairman Schielke reported that with the retirement of the Committee's first Vice Chairman, Mayor Mulder, a position of Vice Chairman has opened. He announced his nomination of Mayor Williams of Lynwood for the second Vice Chairman. He pointed out that the custom is to assure that the three officers are from different parts of the region. On a motion by Mayor Sherwin and a second by President Discipio, Mayor Williams was elected Vice Chairman.

7. Storm Water Utilities for Local Governments

As requested at the last meeting, Mr. Elam of CMAP presented CMAP's storm water management recommendations. He explained that setting up a storm water utility, whereby a user fee could be collected, is a good option for local governments to respond to the increasing challenges in managing storm water. Such a utility would provide a dedicated revenue stream for storm water programs as well as incentives for property owners to reduce the amount of

runoff they generate. CMAP's recent publication on this topic was included in the agenda packet.

8. Soil Removal and Testing

As requested at the last meeting, Mr. Burke of IDOT's central office presented the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) process to regulate Clean Construction or Demolition Debris (CCDD) and assure that only uncontaminated soil is being used as fill material in quarries, mines, or other excavations. He also explained the recent update to IDOT's specifications which instruct the contractors on how this material must be handled.

9. Vehicle Emission Standards for Emergency Vehicles

As requested at the last meeting, Mr. Patronsky of CMAP reported that emergency vehicles are not exempt from EPA's emission standards. He explained that there is flexibility to address concerns regarding clean diesel technology on emergency vehicles so that power is not shut off during emergency situations. The committee requested more information on implementation of upgrading current vehicles to meet the standards.

10. State Legislative Update

Mr. Smith of CMAP updated the Committee on relevant legislative activities and the bills that CMAP has been monitoring. He drew the Committee's attention to copies of CMAP's State Legislative Framework and State Legislative Agenda. He stated that IDOT's budget for fiscal year 2014 includes six million dollars for regional planning organizations and much of that funding will help fund CMAP.

11. Strategic Plan, Draft FY 2014 Budget and Work Plan and Draft FY 2014 UWP Chairman Schielke asked the committee members to review CMAP's Strategic Plan, Fiscal Year 2014 Budget and Work Plan, and the FY 2014 Unified Work Program at their leisure. All three documents have been developed to ensure that priorities of CMAP are linked to the recommendations and implementation action areas of GO TO 2040.

12. Wells St Bridge Update

Chicago DOT's Mr. Seglin updated the Committee on the Wells Street Bridge reconstruction (TIP ID # $\underline{01\text{-}96\text{-}0001}$). The project provides mutual benefit to residents of Chicago and the suburbs and it was agreed that it would receive the 5% regional STP-L set-aside for FFYs 2012 and 2013. Mr. Seglin also showed two short videos on the construction strategy to keep the CTA lines open as much as possible during the \$50 million bridge replacement.

13. Other Business

Chairman Schielke recognized former West Dundee Mayor Larry Keller, a longtime member of the Executive Committee, for his valuable service on the Executive Committee and in representing the Council of Mayors on the CMAP

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Project Selection Committee. The members acknowledged Mayor Keller's work and wished him well in his retirement.

14. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

15. Next Meeting

Chairman Schielke reminded the members that the next meeting is scheduled for September 10.

16. Adjourn

On a motion by President Karaba and a second by Mayor Sherwin, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03.

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